

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed April 6, 2005 (Paper No. 1). Upon entry of this response, claims 41-61 are pending in the application. In this response, claims 41-61 have been added, and claims 1-40 have been cancelled. Applicant respectfully requests that the amendments being filed herewith be entered and request that there be reconsideration of all pending claims.

1. **Response to Restriction Requirement**

The Office Action requires Applicants to elect to prosecute one of three groups of claims identified in the Office Action. In response to this restriction requirement, Applicants respectfully elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, corresponding to claims 1-4, 14-17, 26-29, and 40. Claims 5-13, 18-25, 30-38, and 39 are cancelled without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer, and the rejection of these claims is therefore rendered moot. Applicants take this action merely to reduce the number of disputed issues and to facilitate early allowance and issuance of other claims in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of these cancelled claims in a continuing application, if Applicants so choose, and do not intend to dedicate any of the canceled subject matter to the public.

2. **Rejection of Claims 1-3, 14-16, and 26-28 under 35 U.S.C. §102**

Claims 1-3, 14-16, and 26-28 have been rejected under §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by *Gruber et al.* (U.S. 5,450,394). Claims 1-3, 14-16, and 26-28 have been cancelled. Therefore the rejection is moot, and Applicants request that the rejection be withdrawn. Applicants take this action merely to reduce the number of disputed issues and to facilitate early allowance and issuance of other claims in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the

subject matter of these cancelled claims in a continuing application, if Applicants so choose, and do not intend to dedicate any of the cancelled subject matter to the public.

3. Rejection of Claims 4, 17, and 29 under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 4, 17, and 29 have been rejected under §103(a) as allegedly obvious over *Gruber et al.* (U.S. 5,450,394) in view of *Schulzrinne et al.* (RFC 1889 – RTP: A Transport Protocol for Real-Time Applications). Claims 4, 17, and 29 have been cancelled. Therefore the rejection is moot, and Applicants request that the rejection be withdrawn. Applicants take this action merely to reduce the number of disputed issues and to facilitate early allowance and issuance of other claims in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of these cancelled claims in a continuing application, if Applicants so choose, and do not intend to dedicate any of the cancelled subject matter to the public.

4. Rejection of Claim 40 Under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claim 40 has been rejected under §103(a) as allegedly obvious over *Gruber et al.* (U.S. 5,450,394) in view of *Schulzrinne et al.* (RFC 1889 – RTP: A Transport Protocol for Real-Time Applications) and further in view of *Clark* (U.S. 6,741,569). Claim 40 has been cancelled. Therefore the rejection is moot, and Applicants request that the rejection be withdrawn. Applicants take this action merely to reduce the number of disputed issues and to facilitate early allowance and issuance of other claims in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of these cancelled claims in a continuing application, if Applicants so choose, and do not intend to dedicate any of the cancelled subject matter to the public.

5. Newly Added Claims

Applicant submits that no new matter has been added in the new claims 41-61 and that new claims 41-61 are allowable over the cited references. Specifically, independent claims 41, 47, and 53 are allowable for at least the reason that the cited references do not disclose, teach, or suggest at least the feature of “intercepting a first RTCP sender report from the first endpoint and a first RTCP receiver report from the second endpoint, each first report transiting through the media router.”

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that all outstanding objections and rejections be withdrawn and that this application and presently pending claims 41-61 be allowed to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding Applicant's response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicant's undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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